



Hunt Midwest

PRESS RELEASE

New CNG Station Fuels Growth in Hunt Midwest's Automotive Alley

KANSAS CITY, MO—August 15, 2016—The opening of a new Compressed Natural Gas fueling station at Midway Ford Truck Center, 7801 NE 38th St., Kansas City, MO, within Hunt Midwest's Automotive Alley, is expected to attract additional tenants to this automotive hub. Automotive Alley is comprised of Hunt Midwest Business Center (HMBC) on the surface and SubTropolis, the world's largest underground business complex.

"This new CNG facility helps fuel the rapid growth taking place in Automotive Alley and the Kansas City auto industry," said Ora Reynolds, president and CEO of Hunt Midwest. "With the ongoing success of Ford's F-150 truck and Transit commercial van, and continued demand for CNG fuel and vehicle modifications, Automotive Alley is gearing up to welcome new tenants."

After selling or modifying hundreds of Alternate Fuel vehicles, Midway Ford Truck Center partnered with Clean Energy to open its first CNG fueling station built collaboratively with a Ford dealership. To further serve demand for CNG-fueled vehicles, Midway Ford has announced plans to build and staff a dedicated Alt-Fuel installation and repair facility located on its 26-acre campus.

"We believe this station will help bring more CNG-powered vehicles to the local market. This will be a win for the environment, our customers, Midway Ford, Clean Energy, our area upfit partners and the entire Kansas City area," said Trey Meyer, president of Midway Ford Truck.

After Ford announced plans to pump more than \$1 billion into its Kansas City Assembly Plant in 2011, the automaker chose Hunt Midwest Business Center for its North American Vehicle Logistics Facility (NAVLOS). The opening of NAVLOS led dozens of automotive companies and upfitters to consider our Hunt Midwest location because of its proximity to Ford's Kansas City plant and logistics facility. Just a few years later, Automotive Alley is home to more than a dozen Ford suppliers and upfitters offering more than 7,000 staging spots for top-selling Ford vehicles made in Kansas City.

"We started to see so much activity that we decided this location needed its own identity—hence the name Automotive Alley. This synergistic automotive hub allows companies to benefit from an active cluster of automotive suppliers and upfit partners in a single geographic location," Reynolds said.

Hunt Midwest Business Center, and its contiguous underground business park, SubTropolis, are home to 100 companies and roughly 2,100 employees.

About Midway Ford Truck Center

[Midway Ford Truck Center](#) is the Midwest's only Exclusive Ford Truck Dealership, offering the full line of Ford Super Duty Trucks, SUVs, Vans and Crossover vehicles. In addition to offering fleet commercial vehicles for sale, Midway Ford provides natural gas conversions for vehicles.

About Clean Energy Fuels Corp. (CLNE)

[Clean Energy Fuels Corp.](#) is the owner and operator of the CNG station located at Midway Ford. Clean Energy was founded in 1997 by T. Boone Pickens and operates about 550 natural gas fueling stations across North America.

About Hunt Midwest

[Hunt Midwest](#) is a full-service real estate development company with a focus on industrial, commercial, retail, mission critical, multifamily, senior living and residential real estate. Its portfolio is anchored by SubTropolis, the world's largest underground business complex. Hunt Midwest is a Kansas City-based, privately held company owned by the Lamar Hunt family. The Hunt family business is a diverse portfolio of entities involved in real estate, sports/media, energy/resources, private equity and investments. Marquee entities include the Kansas City Chiefs, Hunt Midwest, Hunt Southwest, FC Dallas Soccer Club, Toyota Stadium, Chicago Bulls and United Center.

About SubTropolis

As the world's largest underground business complex, [SubTropolis](#) sets the standard for subsurface business developments. SubTropolis was created through the mining of a 270-million-year-old limestone deposit. In the mining process, limestone is removed by the room and pillar method, leaving 25-foot square pillars that are on 65-foot centers and 40 feet apart. SubTropolis is home to more than 55 local, regional, national and international companies that employ in excess of 1,600 people.

In 2012, SubTropolis earned a perfect ENERGY STAR energy performance rating of 100 in the category of unrefrigerated warehouse from the EPA. Of the six warehouse facilities in Kansas and Missouri that have earned the ENERGY STAR, SubTropolis is the only one to receive a perfect rating.

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